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Filing Date	December 15, 2003
First Named Inventor	Werner Schnabel
Art Unit	1772
Examiner Name	William P. Watkins III
Attorney Docket Number	071308.0496

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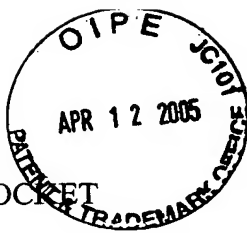
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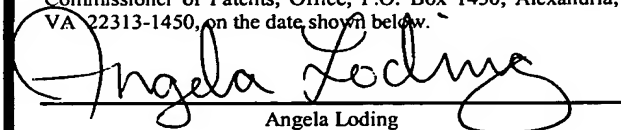
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Group Art Unit:	1772
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND AMENDMENT**

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 12, 2005, and the Advisory Action mailed March 18, 2005, Applicant respectfully submits the following remarks set forth below and requests favorable action thereon.

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.